

Title (en)

Device and method for determining a state of an electromechanical relay contact, and a system including such a device

Title (de)

Vorrichtung und Verfahren zur Bestimmung des Betriebszustandes eines elektromechanischen Relaiskontakts und System mit solch einer Vorrichtung

Title (fr)

Dispositif et procédé pour déterminer un état d'un contact de relais électromécanique et système comprenant un tel dispositif

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Abstract (en)

This state determination device (20) is adapted for determining a state of a relay contact (14) among closed and open states, the relay contact being movable between the closed and open states and connected to a resonant circuit (12), the resonant circuit having a resonance frequency and including a capacitor (24) or a coil (26). The device (20) comprises a generation unit (30) for generating an alternative voltage signal and for injecting the generated voltage signal into the resonant circuit, the generated voltage signal having a generated frequency comprised between 0.9 times and 1.1 times the resonance frequency, a measuring unit (32) for measuring an electric magnitude relative to the resonant circuit impedance after injection of the generated voltage signal, and a determination unit (34) for determining, according to the measured electric magnitude, the state of the relay contact among the closed and open states.

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